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Shuster Cosponsors Bill for Free Mailings to Troops in Iraq, Afghanistan

Washington, D.C. – **Congressman Bill Shuster**, a member of the House Armed Services Committee, is pleased to announce he has cosponsored the “Supply our Soldiers Act,” legislation that would provide free mailing vouchers for family members of soldiers on active duty in Iraq and Afghanistan.

“Our soldiers serve our nation with distinction in Iraq and Afghanistan,” Shuster said. “Even in the Internet Age, mail and care packages remain a critical link that helps our troops stay connected to their families back home. Congress should keep that link open and affordable.”

Soldiers overseas don’t have to pay for the letters they send back home to family and friends. However, their families do, and they often spend hundreds of dollars a year sending their loved ones care packages and letters from home. The “Supply our Soldiers Act” would correct this by authorizing monthly vouchers to soldiers that can be transferred to loved ones back home to send letters and packages at no cost.

“Congress should make sure that mailings between service members and their families are made as easy as possible. This legislation will provide some much needed relief and support for our military families. I am proud to be a cosponsor of this legislation.”

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